

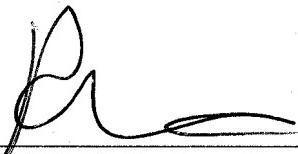
1 **REMARKS**

2 The Applicant appreciates the indication in the Final Office Action mailed February 25,
3 2008, that claims 1-8 and 17-25 stand allowed.

4 Although the Applicant has canceled claims 26-28 from further consideration in this
5 application, the Applicant is not conceding in this application that these claims are not patentable
6 over the art cited in the Final Office Action. The present claim cancellations are made only to
7 allow the remaining claims to be issued more expeditiously. The Applicant respectfully reserves
8 the right to pursue any of the rejected claims and particularly claims 26-28 in one or more
9 continuations and/or divisional patent applications.

10 Respectfully submitted,

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